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## **MAYOR JERRY SANDERS FACT SHEET**

### **MAYOR ANNOUNCES LATEST WATER-CONSERVATION STATISTICS**

*Year-over-Year Water Use Dropped 9.5% in October*

Mayor Jerry Sanders thanked all San Diegans for continuing to meet the challenge of saving water. City-wide, water use dropped 9.5% in October compared to the same month last year. That figure includes a 10.8% decline in the amount of water used by city government.

“Saving water is a civic responsibility that San Diegans clearly take seriously,” Sanders said. “The latest figures continue to show that all of us are meeting the challenge.”

Overall, San Diegans have reduced their water use roughly 13% in the months since the city imposed mandatory water restrictions on June 1. For October, residential use dropped 8.6%; irrigation, 14.7%; Commercial/Industrial, 8.5%.

The mayor also urged San Diegans to visit the city’s Web site for two dozen tips on how to save hundreds of gallons of water a week. Those tips include turning off the water while lathering in the shower, rinsing dishes with short blasts of water, avoid using hot water to defrost frozen food and using a broom instead of a hose to clean your patio.

The 24 tips can be found at: [www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation/tips.shtml](http://www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation/tips.shtml)

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